

State necessities, diplomatists cease to be troubled with squeamishness; and if, under existing circumstances, the Anglo-Saxon and Teutonic idiosyncracies could be reconciled by a liberal display of Wallie and Muscovite adulation and

seeming concession, the massive array of the Triple Alliance might disappear, and France and Russia would again feel their hands free, and at liberty to cherish their aspirations as heretofore. The drama looks

Hence the friendly tone towards England reported as recently characterising the leading journals of France. As is well known, there is no point in the

British foreign policy on which France is so
keenly sensitive as that of the occupation
of Egypt. This has hitherto led her rulers
persistently to frustrate every proposal of
England for the amelioration of that
country by demanding, as a condition of
their consent, that a time should be fixed

upon for the withdrawal of the British troops, a stipulation which her MAJESTY's Government had, of course, no option save to decline. Now, however, it would appear that a change has come over the mind of

that a change has come over the spirit of these rulers' dream. For, if their views are correctly represented in the press, as there is reason to believe they are; they, from being repellant, have become complaisant,

and are inclined to think that an agreement can be come to in which, within certain limitations, England's position in Egypt should be recognised. So marked a change in attitude is peculiarly note-

worthy as a sure sign that in connection with the general European situation State necessities have arisen overshadowing the national sensitiveness on the Egyptian question.

noteworthy is the fact that, while this conciliatory feeling towards England has been making its way in France, a feeling remarkably akin to it

seems to have taken possession of the Russian Government, whose official organs have recently been dealing somewhat gratuitously with the Egyptian question and urging the French Govern-

to agree to the proposal of England for the conversion of the loans issued by the Egyptian Government, with a view to materially reducing the interest thereon, and for establishing the financial system

nd for abolishing the forced labour system which so greatly interferes with the advancement of the country. It is now about six months since the French Government firmly refused their assent to this

cheme unless England bound herself to vacate Egypt by a given time, and the circumstances of their now being exhorted from St. Petersburg to give their consent unconditionally—for that is

what the advice amounts to—shows that, in consequence of the attitude previously maintained by them towards England, something has occurred which seriously compromises the position of both

seriously compromises the position of both Russia and France, and that the aim of the governments of these countries is, at almost any sacrifice, to counteract the mischief done. The occurrence which has

And quite in harmony with this dual

change of policy towards England are the reported efforts of the St. Petersburg Court to promote a matrimonial alliance with the Court of Berlin. The rumours mentioned in recent columns about the

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ZAREWITCH's betrothal to the Emperor
VILLIAM's sister may be exaggerated, and
the probability, perhaps, is that nothing
will come of them ; but that there is some

asis for their currency need not be doubted. By this time the Czar has, we may be certain, had his eyes opened to the fact that in the face of a now virtually quintuple alliance the solitary

friendship of the Montenegrin Prince would avail him very little, even with the sympathy and aid of France thrown in. It is essential, too, for the success of the

policy which Russia and France are jointly embarked on—the neutralising the power of the Triple Alliance—that their efforts should be directed not to England alone, but also to Germany, which is really the

backbone of that formidable organisation. It is impossible, moreover, in view of the considerations of interest and honour, to exert much influence upon these Powers separately. The

only hope of inducing them to modify their respective positions is to act on them contemporaneously by offering each of them substantial concessions to their re-

... concessions would amount to could only appear in subsequent negotiations; but it may be taken for granted that the recognition of England's position in Egypt and

the proposal for a matrimonial alliance between the reigning houses of Russia and Germany are simply intended to indicate the extent to which the coalition of England and Germany

ing of England and Germany could be carried. The real truth is that the fact of England and Turkey having brought themselves more or less into line with the Triple Alliance has had the effect of

practically piling Russia and France both
 hors de combat. From either a political or
 military point of view, it is simply im-
 possible for them to move without being
 confronted with a huge resisting mass

which threatens to crush them. This is a most humiliating and galling position to be placed in, and if it were possible to make their escape from it, coming to an arrangement with

England and Germany, such as would lessen their sympathy with the Triple Alliance, there are few points on which Russia and France would not be ready to

The question, therefore, is: What prospect is there of Russia and France winning the game which they are now

impelled to stake so much on? We are
unstrained to say that for the present
there is none. The reasons for this
opinion cannot now be stated at length;
but it may suffice to say that the

process of their policy would not tend to the preservation of peace. On the contrary, it would tend to bring about a result the very opposite, as the effect of it

ould be to place Austria and Italy at the mercy of France and Russia. On the other hand, however, its failure points to substantially the same issue, inasmuch as a relentless temptation must then be pre-

sent to both France and Russia to plunge recklessly and risk the consequences of war. Thus the success or failure of the policy which these two Powers have, as the fruit of their antecedent selfishness, been obliged to resort to would equally imperil the peace of Europe.

The case submitted by residents of Burwood to the Railway Commissioners on Monday was not without force. Their request was that twelve trains which during the course of the day and night now pass Burwood without stopping should stop at the station there to put down and take up passengers. Doubtless, it is vexatious to residents of this suburb to see the trains run past, and to be compelled to wait at the cost of more or less inconvenience for one of the limited number of trains which do call at their station. But it is not to be forgotten that the inconvenience which they suffer is the result of an endeavour to save the people living elsewhere from suffering equal or perhaps greater inconvenience. If every train stopping up and down stopped at every suburb, the traffic would be entangled amidst a mass of delays which would cause in the aggregate a far greater amount of inconvenience and loss than that which arises out of the present system. It is not the simplest thing in the world to regulate the traffic under present conditions and with the facilities now available. It would behoove the Commissioners to attempt to please everybody. It is enough for them to endeavour to arrive at a just estimate of competing claims, and to seek "the greatest good of the greatest number." The principle introduced by the Commissioners of selecting a certain number of trains which should only pick up or set down within a certain distance, and then go through without interruption, is a sound one under present circumstances, because it is the only one that can protect the interests of the longer distance passengers, who have to be considered. But this principle can only be carried out by fixing the point for the beginning of the through service somewhere, and wherever it is fixed it will interfere with someone's interest and cause complaint. The anticipation of this difficulty could not be allowed to check the introduction of a necessary reform; and the increase in 11 months of 9 p.m. on the ordinary passenger traffic, and of 18 p.m. in the journeys by season-ticket passengers on the section between Sydney and Parramatta, seems to show that the changes made have been for the general good. As for those who have suffered, however, it will be some consolation to have the prospect of a more frequent service when the re-balancing of the line has been completed and the work of duplication has been carried out.

When a ship has put into port the danger of being wrecked is at least considerably diminished. The reflection is suggested by that little entry on Monday in the Parramatta district register, which recorded the death of seven inmates of the Parramatta asylum. To-day the number of whom was aged 109 and the youngest 74, whilst the average age was 83 years and five-eighths, and the aggregate was 689 years. To these old people the asylums had been asylums indeed, safe refuges in which their days, prolonged beyond the ordinary span, had for some time, at least, been spent apart from the cares and struggles of the restless world, and had, apparently through the sheer decay of nature, passed quietly away. It would be interesting to know whether the books of our benevolent asylums, taking them all together, would furnish a sufficient amount of information to lay the basis for trustworthy conclusions as to any possible connection between longevity and asylum life. Before drawing such conclusions it would be necessary not only to ascertain the proportion of unusually aged inmates to the number as a whole, but also at what age their admission took place. Assuming that there is an unusually large proportion of aged, the first supposition would be that this was because the asylums were chiefly intended for aged people, and, in fact, collected aged people, who for various reasons found themselves helpless in the decline of life. But this may not be the whole explanation of the case, and it would be of some interest to know whether many or few of the aged inmates were admitted at an earlier stage, and really owed the lengthening of their lives to the shelter and protection they had been fortunate enough to obtain. It would not be surprising if many curious reminiscences of the past could be gathered by an ardent and sympathetic inquirer and a good listener amongst those representatives of past generations who still remain in the public asylums. No doubt much tact and discrimination would be necessary in sifting and sorting the mass of material so gleaned. Sometimes, as life lingers on beyond the three-score years and ten, the memory is apt to die out; in other cases the recollections of the past are surrounded by a sort of magnifying and creative haze. But surely amongst the out-generations who now, safely berthed in havens of rest, may have taken an active part in, or been witnesses of, the movements of long ago, there should be some opportunity of gathering up little details of fact, and noting down little effects of old-world light and shade, and such opportunities, if not seized soon, will pass away.

The meeting of the Cabinet, postponed from Tuesday afternoon, is, it is understood, to be held this afternoon. It is believed that it is in contemplation by Ministers to deal with several important matters of a considerable degree of public importance.

The banking column in relation to the financial business of the Government, entered into between Mr. G. R. Dibbs and the associated banks, having expired by effluxion of time on the last day of December, will, as was announced in these columns on Tuesday last, come into force to-day. In accordance with the new method the current working accounts of the colony will, we are informed, be entrusted to the New South Wales, the Commercial, the Joint Stock, the Mercantile, and the City Banks.

On inquiring at the residence of the Premier, at Belconnen, last evening, we learned that Sir Henry

Parker had very much improved in health, and he expected to be sufficiently well this morning to come to his office and discharge his administrative duties. It is believed that the hot weather experienced recently, and hard work, have had a prejudicial effect upon the health of the Premier, who, despite the fact that for some days past he has been suffering from extreme weakness, has hardly allowed day to pass without attending his office, no exception being made in this respect even in favour of Christmas Day or Boxing Day.

The tramway manager's office has been removed from 45, Phillip-street, to the new buildings opposite the old wool store, in Phillip-street, just below Bridge-street.

The embarkation of the crews of H.M.S. Royalist and H.M.S. Egeria takes place this forenoon. The Port Victor is lying in Farm Cove ready to receive the blue-jackets, of whom there will be 287, inclusive of six prisoners under sentence for various offences. The saloons of the steamer will be occupied by the 14 officers, who comprise part of the time-expired crews of the two ships. The Port Victor is expected to leave tomorrow. Complete arrangements have been made for the embarkation of the crews of the two ships, the H.M.S. Royalist, H.M.S. Egeria, and the H.M.S. Porpoise, for the comfortable conveyance of the crews.

An eventful cruise to the Solomon Islands was completed yesterday by the schooner *Katerina*, of a trading port. The vessel left here nine months ago on a trading port. Indifferent weather prevented the passage of the schooner through the group, and at one of the islands a typhoid calamity overtook the little company comprising the crew. A man named Nelson and three native boys went ashore in the schooner's boat, and were immediately taken to the hospital, and died of the typhoid fever. The particulars of the terrible occurrence were published in the *Herald* at the time, and upon arrival here of H.M.S. Royalist it was stated that investigation of the village which was the scene of the calamity had been completed. The schooner ran short of water, she was becalmed for some days. It is said that the crew was exposed to the burning heat in the tropics at a time when the greatest economy had to be observed at the expense of the health of the crew. Eventually the *Katerina* brought up on Mororan Bay, where an abundant supply was procured.

A cargo ship at Bampton Reef is reported as having been seen by the master of the schooner *Elangowan*, which arrived here yesterday from the Solomon Islands and New Guinea. The identity of the vessel was not made out. Bampton Reef is in the Coral Sea, and forms the western edge of a bank of soundings extending to the Chesterfield Reef. The eastern limits have not been surveyed. Small sailing vessels, which occasionally come to anchor at Bampton Reef, are reported to have been seen at the reef. The ship's headquarters anchor at the Chesterfield Reef. The size of the reef reported forms a narrow barrier trending from its south point N. by E. 22 miles, when, after a turn of three miles outward, it extends south by west seven miles to its south point, in 191° E. and 192° E. Here and there are clusters of reef stones, and an occasional rock 6 ft high.

The customary High Mass was celebrated yesterday at St. Mary's, and a special service was held in the evening. Cardinal Moran assisting in the sacristy, and the choir singing.

The number of visitors at the National Art Gallery during December was as follows:—Week days, 9918, an average for 25 days of 396 per day; Sunday, 7672, an average for 5 days of 1534 per day. Total for the month, 17,588.

One of the largest demonstrations that have ever taken place in the colony in connection with the Salvation Army was held yesterday, for the purpose of welcoming Commissioner Coombs to Sydney. He was met at the railway station by about 4000 soldiers, and the procession extended a most from the station to the barracks in Burn-street. Several bands took part in the proceedings, and played a number of popular tunes. At 5.30 an immense meeting was held at the barracks, and a similar one at the Centenary Hall in the evening, when a number of speeches were delivered.

YESTERDAY morning a fine named Turin, about 40 years of age, fell in a fit in King-street. Constable Orr promptly conveyed the man to the Sydney Hospital, where Dr. T. F. Wade, upon examination, pronounced him to be suffering from a stroke named Wilkins was admitted to Prince Alfred Hospital yesterday afternoon, suffering from a severe fracture of the thigh and other serious injuries. He was riding Sydney in Tattersall's Cup Cup at Randwick, when the horse fell. His life is considered dangerous.

ACCORDING to a recent issue of the *Queensland Government Gazette*, the effective strength of the Queensland Defence Force amounts to a total of 4234, made up as follows:—Headquarters and Permanent Staff, 44; Permanent Force, 87; Defence Force, 2653; Volunteer Corps, 1045; Cadet Corps, 588.

SIR GRHAM BERRY has forwarded to the Victorian Premier a communication bearing upon the hours of labour of the working classes in the United States and several continental countries (says the *Age*). The agent-general in Melbourne, Mr. Berry, has been induced to forward the information, on learning that "the workmen of Melbourne contemplate the erection of a great monument at Melbourne to commemorate the eight hours movement," and with a view of enabling the working classes of Victoria to make a comparison with the working conditions of affairs in the other portions of the world. He states that at yet a few of the States of America seem to be the only places in which an attempt has been made to establish the eight hours limit by law. In the United States, for instance, the law is 10 hours in the morning and 10 hours in the afternoon, and in France 12 hours are fixed by law of 1894, and in still the legal limit in a country where there is no compulsory observance of Sunday and no day of habitual rest. In Germany there is no law on the subject, but the legislation of Switzerland has made the nine hours of the day the European countries, though even there the working day by law is 11 hours. The only European countries in which the hours of labour are defined by law are—Austria, 11 hours; Switzerland, 11 hours; and the Netherlands, 10 hours. In the Netherlands excessive or dangerous labour by adult women or young persons is prohibited. In these countries, the hours of labour are regulated by contract. The actual hours worked in Europe are, as a general rule, between 10 and 12 hours. In the United States eight hours constitute a legal day's work for certain classes in New York, Connecticut, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and California. In the latter place the law is nearly always evaded by paying by the hour. Ten hours constitute a legal day's work in Rhode Island, Michigan, New Hampshire, Maryland, Massachusetts, Florida, and in New Jersey it is 12 hours with some times allowed. In Maryland it is found that the law practically produces the rate of pay as well as the hours of labour. Taken altogether, the average day's work in the United States appears to be 10 hours.

An important change was made in the Victorian postage rates yesterday, when the new penny postage rates came into operation. The former minimum rate for letters was 2d. per ounce, which has now been reduced to a minimum of 1d. for half an ounce. In connection with this change the price of letters and envelopes bearing 1d. half-ounce stamp will be reduced to 1s. 3d. per dozen. Two cards or envelopes will be sold for 2d., but cards or envelopes sold singly will be charged 1d. each. Amalgamated (says the *Age*) have been made for meeting an increase of business at the Post Office, and 23 additional clerks and letter-carriers have been engaged for Melbourne and suburbs. A new penny stamp will be issued in connection with the penny postage. The business of the Post Office in Victoria is increasing rapidly every year, and has now assumed very large proportions in comparison with the population. The average number of letters to each person posted in 1879 was 27, and last year the number increased to 45. The present Postmaster-General took office in February, 1886, the number of post-offices has been increased by 317,

and the number of telegraph offices by 67. The number of letters and post-cards that passed through the office last year was 45,700,778; the number of telegrams, 8,044,638; of telephone calls (which must be regarded as communications), 8,112,000; of savings bank transactions, 307,098; of money orders issued, 478,436; and of postal notes issued, 256,429. These numbers give the enormous total of 84,867,583.

We have received the first number of a new monthly publication for children, called "Our Young People's Magazine." The paper is well set out, and contains a good deal of matter which should prove attractive for the young folk.

VISIT OF THE QUEEN TO IRELAND.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

It is reported that her Majesty the Queen will pay a visit to Ireland in the summer.

THE CZAR'S ILLNESS.

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LONDON, DEC. 31.

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The Marquis of Salisbury, who was reported to be seriously indisposed, is suffering from a severe attack of Russian influenza.

NIHILIST PLOT IN ST. PETERSBURG.

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COUNTRY NEWS.

(BY TELEGRAPH.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

COONAMBLE, WEDNESDAY.

During the year 1889 the registered rainfall at Coonamble was 30 inches.

MITTAGONG, WEDNESDAY.

Disturbance is felt at the long delay in calling tenders for the new post-office. The lease of the present unsuitable building expires in March. Mr. O'Connor visited here three months ago, and promised that tenders should be called at once.

At this time the starting point for visitors to the Wombeyan caves the Government, it is thought, should take advantage of the summer to survey a road, for which Parliament has voted £5000.

The new year prospects here are bright. The country is looking splendid. The railway coal contract has made the mine very busy, and a good deal of work is being done. A second bank opens to-morrow, a branch of the English, Scottish, and Australian Chartered Bank.

MURUMBURRAH, WEDNESDAY.

On Friday a snake measuring about 4 ft. long was killed at the entrance to the Coonamble mine. To-day a snake measuring about 4 ft. long was seen on Heron's Brook, a tributary of the river, and was observed climbing the verandah post. It was shot by an officer from the telegraph office.

WINDSOR, WEDNESDAY.

The morning papers from Sydney were delivered for the first time at 7 o'clock this morning.

There are two cases of typhoid fever at the local Hospital, both patients being in a serious condition.

BAND CONTEST AT NEWCASTLE.

(BY TELEGRAPH.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

A brass band contest was held at Newcastle, New South Wales, on Monday last. The contest was won by the band of the 4th Regiment Volunteer Infantry, the Wellington Town Band being second, the Barrowfield Band third, and the Newcastle Band fourth.

(Sydney) Band, fourth. R. Scott, a member of the Adelaide Band, won the contest solo competition; and C. Crockett, of the 4th Regiment Band, the euphonium contest.

CASUALTIES.

(BY TELEGRAPH.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

A fire was discovered in Woodland-street, Canterbury, early yesterday morning, in the premises occupied by George Shearer. Constable Dalrymple raised the alarm, and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, together with the Kenton and Leithard companies, were quickly upon the scene. It was at once seen that it was impossible to save the cottage occupied by Shearer, or the one immediately adjoining it. The brigades, therefore, endeavoured to prevent the flames from spreading, and this they succeeded in doing. The fire had its origin in the burning of a lighted cigarette. The two cottages were totally destroyed. They were owned by Mr. Shearer, and were insured in the Metropolitan Mutual Insurance Company for £150, and the furniture was insured for £100. One of the firemen was slightly injured by being struck by a piece of falling timber, and Constable Bennett was burnt about the hands and arms.

CABLEGRAMS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

There is a vast increase in the sales of Australian wines in London, which are ousting the French clarets from the market.

THE REVENUE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

The revenue returns of the United Kingdom indicate that there is a surplus of £5,000,000.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF MINERS.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

An international congress of miners will assemble in Berlin during the present year.

A MUNIFICENT GIFT TO THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

An anonymous gift of £100,000 has been made for the purpose of founding a Convalescent Home in connection with the London hospitals.

THE BANK OF ADELAIDE.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 31.

The Bank of Adelaide is about to open a branch in London at Gresham House, instead of an agency as hitherto.

COMMERCIAL.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 31.

The quantity of wheat and flour for the United Kingdom is estimated at about 2,084,000 quarters; for the Continent, 384,000 quarters. The quantity of wheat and flour, American visible supply, is now estimated at 8,400,000 bushels.

The following are the latest quotations for Australian bank shares:—Bank of Australasia, £100 10s.; English, Scottish, and Australian Chartered, £88 10s.; London Chartered of Australia, £80; Bank of New South Wales, £74; National Bank of Australia, £11; Bank of New Zealand, £9 10s.; Bank of South Australia, £29 10s.; Union Bank of Australia, £28; Bank of Victoria, £6; Mercantile Bank of Australia, £3 10s.

The market for short-dated loans shows a strong upward movement, owing to the scarcity of money in the outside market.

The Bank of England rate of discount is now quoted at 6 1/2.

Three months' bills are quoted at 5 per cent.

Bar gold is quoted at 77s. 10d. per oz. Bar silver, 6s. 6d.

Diagonals of iron, No. 1 warrants, is quoted at 64s.; Middleborough, 62s. 6d.

NEW YEAR HONOURS.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 31.

Amongst the distinctions gazetted to-day are the following, awarded to persons connected with Australia:—

Knight Bachelor (K.B.),—The Hon. Matthew Henry Davies, Speaker of the Victorian Legislative Assembly.

Knight Grand Cross of the order of St. Michael and George (G.C.M.G.),—The Earl of Belmore.

Knight Commander of St. Michael and George (K.C.M.G.),—The Hon. John Cox Bray, Speaker of the House of Assembly of South Australia.

Companion of St. Michael and George (C.M.G.),—The Hon. Robert Burdett Smith, M.L.C., New South Wales.

The Hon. Sir John Eldon Gorst, M.P., formerly chief commissioner to New Zealand during the Waikato affair, has been summoned to be of the Privy Council.

FATAL FIRE NEAR LONDON.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

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MEN CALLED OUT OF THE LONDON COALERS.

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The executive of the Sailors and Firemen's Union have called out the crews from the coalers of London.

THE COLLIERIES STRIKE IN BELGIUM.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

The number of miners on strike in the collieries at Charleroi, Belgium, is 20,000.

It is feared that the strikes will result in a coal famine.

THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

Teemer, Hanlan, and Gaudaur claim the sculling championship. Hanlan suggests that the claim to the title should be decided by the sweepstakes proposed by Teemer.

WOMEN AND WATCHES.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 1.

Every woman or girl ought to possess a watch. Until Laetitia's championed these necessary articles they were not always within their reach, but now an exquisite elegant timepiece is offered at the rate of one for 7s. The works are excellent; they keep splendid time, and each one is stamped by an old Sydney watchmaker before leaving the premises.

INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

(BY TELEGRAPH.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The weather to-day was hot but fine. Large numbers of persons attended the outdoor sports, the lights in citizens' houses still burning brightly. The Melbourne gathered strength, and 1800 stinks down into the past, there to fill the niche appointed for him, and to be remembered of his still more on only as one of many others who served his day and generation, and departed. And as the short hours which furnish the moral ship by their break upon us another glorious day, ushering in the New Year with a promise of coming good. So mote it be. And as if with a desire to make the most of the opportunity, little knots of holidaymakers begin to rally upon the railway station, mostly hurrying along, though the day is young and time ample, but upon such an occasion as may be obtainable, far or near, so long as it is in some measure removed from the scene of their daily occupations. A little later, when breakfasts have been hastily swallowed, the dull streets echo the sounds of an occasional party of excursionists whose weakness in locomotion has been relieved by the score of extra hands it is others half empty—proceeding to some suburb there to pick up the rest of the holiday freight. Wandering from the activity of the holiday, a little out of the common engenders the attention. Troops of children, in advance of their parents, are seen making for some rendezvous. By degrees we gain the pivot of the city—the General Post Office. Turn into it and see the busy crowd of workers in the mail-room on New Year's morning. They were almost caught napping on Christmas Day with a tremendous rush of cards, and the day after to-morrow it was difficult to get through the work. It may be interesting to note here that the Christmas card business through the post office of the year just closed was as great, if not greater, than that of any two previous years, and even on New Year's Day three faithful servants of the public, the post office clerks, have their hands full. One hundred persons or thereabouts work like one. There is a match against time. Shapless masses of letters, increased by thousands of New Year's cards, are reduced to order, and put in train for the destinations where they are to be delivered. They have had stamp and post, and had been put in train from an hour to an hour and a half—at most two hours. Perhaps recipients of these New Year's and Christmas remembrances may sometimes grumble at an occasional delay made by the stamp, but the wonder is that in the rush of the work his hand falls so lightly on the more than a million of letters, which are many and obvious. Stacked in one part of the mail-room, awaiting treatment, are 130,000 reports, tumbled in by Dr. Barnard's agent; a manufacturer of nothing syrupy pieces at the receiving-box, and shoots in 20,000 circulars. Life Insurance society's agents are busy with the mail close shakes out a bag into the receiver, and the G. P. O. finds itself with 15,000 annual reports to deliver; and so it goes on and on down to the single letter which forms the unit of the New Year's Day's work. The end of the year being so near, the business of the post office is a busy one. The 1300 in occupation, are stuffed with letters and mercantile documents, half-yearly, quarterly, and monthly accounts, and all that interchange of correspondence which marks the dominion of the commercial side of life. Before 8 o'clock the pace begins to slacken; children may be seen playing in the street, and a broken line of redoubt trucks, it may be of the G. P. O. towards tram and steamer; 145 mail-bags have been made up long before 9 o'clock, and the sack of the New Year's Day's work has been broken. The rush of New Year's cards, though still going on, is slowing down. The resources of the Department, and sound no delay.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

(BY CABLE.) (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PERTH, WEDNESDAY.

On Monday night a lamentable accident occurred on the York-road to two young girls named Evans. While extinguishing the flames from a tin of kerosene which had ignited, the tin exploded, and both girls were badly burned. The eldest died within a few hours, and the second is not expected to survive.

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There was a good field. Thereupon passed the race, under very good conditions. The horses were: 1st, K. H. Haskins; 2d, J. H. A. Underhill; 3d in a double 1st, Mr. Jos. Hartman's ex. Power, 2d, 7th, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831

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acrobaticism to Art Stephens, whilst some sundry tricks round the ring were well patronized by the ladies. The first prize, which was a great success, large number of spectators, the fine show, thanks to the courtesy of Mr. C. D. Deane, and as the flourish. The principal events consisted of Rowing Clubs, pulling four strong test men with canvas, trophy value £12 12s. Three crews from the Newcastle Newcastle Club, from the Newcastle Kings Club. The Rowing Club's No. 1 crew won easily. The club giving up shortly before reaching the start.

For boats under canvas not exceeding 50ft., which seven completed, fell to Ensign, sailed by J. Rosemer and a Sydney crew, the time being 15 minutes, and the other second place by a scratch.

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TENTRIFIED, WEDNESDAY.

and annual sports of the Brough Colliery Club, to be held on the show ground (under the new) and several sports being provided. The very good, and 25 events were completed. The sports' concert will take place on Saturday evening the usual interval the final of the Handicap of 25 strokes will be run. A. in the Queens and Beach was present, and largely to the success of the gathering.

cool breeze had been welcomed. The pool and cloudy sky.

PORT MACQUARIE, WEDNESDAY.—The morning of the Hastings River Jockey Club's meeting, when there was a large attendance was fine. The principal feature of the day was the race for the Hastings River Jockey Club's trophy, which was won by the "Lionel Mule," ridden by the jockey "Lionel Mule." A large attendance was present at the meeting.

WINDSOR, WEDNESDAY.—The day passed off very quietly. The weather was fine and the wind was light. There were no sports of any kind in Windsor. The only event of the day was the race for the "Lionel Mule," which was won by the "Lionel Mule," ridden by the jockey "Lionel Mule." A large attendance was present at the meeting.

BELLINGHAM, WEDNESDAY.—The day was quiet. There was no local demonstration of any kind. The only event of the day was the race for the "Lionel Mule," which was won by the "Lionel Mule," ridden by the jockey "Lionel Mule." A large attendance was present at the meeting.

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KIAMA, WEDNESDAY.—The day was observed in the town and district in connection with the police tender, and marked at Burells Point were held a number of the day. The visitors were numerous on Monday Day. The visitors were quite as usual in the many holiday days in the Hastings River. The visitors were quite as usual in the many holiday days in the Hastings River. The visitors were quite as usual in the many holiday days in the Hastings River.

gion the anniversary of the Sunday-school opened at St. George's Anglican Church at 11 o'clock. The service was held in a large hall. The weather in the town was very pleasant regarding 11° in the sun at about as the day advanced a keen north breeze which during the afternoon was rather greivable in the coast.

GULFONG, WEDNESDAY.
Night service was held last night in the church. A close bellows was observed to have been held at Gleda and Hailu. The Sunday-school picnic, and private parties were also held. The coaster was fine and race club has arranged back race on Anni-

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